

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant	:	Nagai et al.
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Examiner	:	Perreira, M.
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents – Box AF  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed **April 1, 2009**, please consider the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.